



# VALLEY HIGHLIGHTS

**Please Don't Feed the Wildlife...** As tempting as it might be, please do not feed any wildlife around the property. Feeding animals attracts unwanted wildlife to high-traffic areas, increases aggressive behavior, creates sanitation issues, puts residents, pets and staff at risk, disrupts natural foraging habits, and can lead to property damage. For everyone's safety—and the wellbeing of the animals—enjoy wildlife from a distance and never offer food.

**Noise...** Living in a multi-story building means some level of noise is unavoidable, but being mindful of how sound travels can make a big difference to your neighbours – especially those living directly below or above you. Everyday activities like pushing chairs, walking in shoes, or children running can carry more loudly than expected through floors and ceilings.

Here are a few simple ways to help reduce noise within your unit:

1. Use large or heavy throw rugs and area rugs to help absorb sound.
2. Curtains, tapestries, or wall hangings can reduce noise on shared walls and windows.
3. Place entertainment devices away from shared walls whenever possible.
4. Keep the volume of TVs, computers, and speakers at reasonable levels.
5. Limit vacuuming, repairs, and moving heavy furniture to practical daytime hours.
6. Add felt pads under chair and table legs to prevent scraping noises.
7. Ensure dogs remain calm and quiet, avoiding prolonged barking.
8. Building quiet hours are in effect between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.

**Annual Apartment Inspections – starting April 8, 2026...** Maintenance staff will begin annual inspections of *all* units at Valley High 2 on April 8th. These mandatory inspections ensure compliance with fire code and building regulations, including plumbing, heating, electrical systems, and door closers. **Access to every room, including bedrooms will be required.**

Repairs identified during the inspection will be completed within a couple weeks. Notices will be delivered **one (1) week in advance**, beginning with the 8th floor. Please watch your email and/or mailbox for your scheduled date.

**Pet Waste...** All pet owners and walkers are reminded to **pick up after their pets immediately** and dispose of waste in one of the **designated outdoor pet waste bins**. Recently, an increased amount of pet waste has been found on the grounds at Valley High 2, which creates an unsanitary and unpleasant environment for everyone. Cleaning up after pets is the responsibility of their owners – not the Landlord or other tenants.

If you witness someone failing to picking up after their pet, you may file a **confidential complaint** with the Peterborough Humane Society's Animal Control Department at **705-745-4722 ext. 215** or by email at [animalcontrol@ptbohs.com](mailto:animalcontrol@ptbohs.com)

## **Warton Willie predicts an early spring!**

Pay close attention to the local weather forecast as it can be quite unpredictable. Ensure your apartment windows are closed during cold weather conditions. Never turn the heat off completely in your unit.

## **Generator Testing...**

Scheduled testing of the generator will take place twice in March; the 11<sup>th</sup> and the 25<sup>th</sup>. As a reminder, please keep your doors and windows shut and refrain from using the exits at the southwest end of the building.

## **Daylight Savings Time!**

Daylight savings time begins on Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. This happens at 2am, so before going to bed on Saturday evening, **remember to set your clocks ahead one hour!**

This is also a good reminder and time to test and/or change the batteries in the smoke detectors within your rental unit.

## **Celebrations...**

Congratulations and a shout out to those who may be celebrating a special occasion this month!

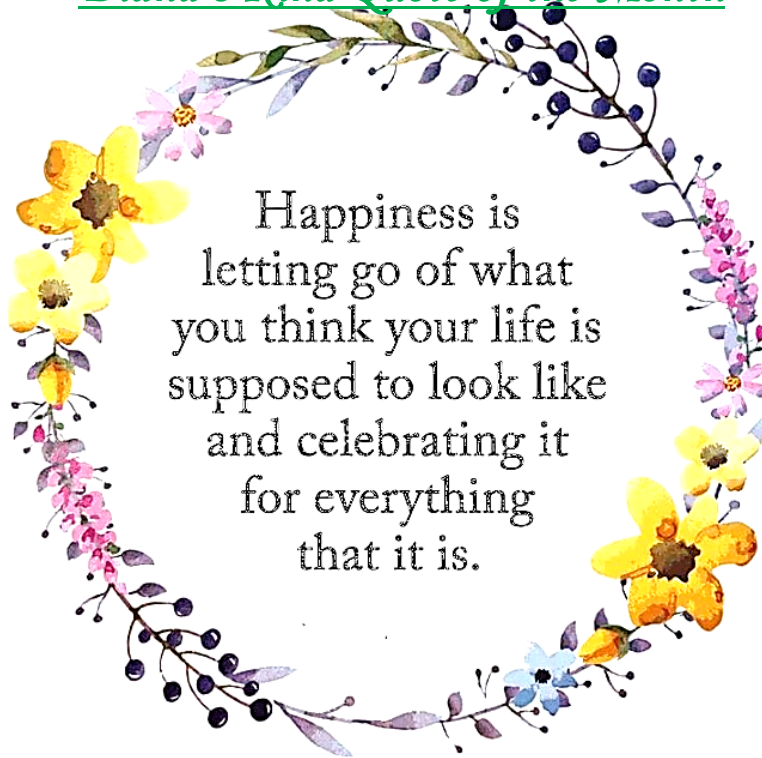
## **Local Events...**

Celebrate our rich Irish heritage; don't miss the 25<sup>th</sup> annual Peterborough St. Patrick's Day parade on Sunday, March 15, 2026 at 2pm! The route begins on George Street at City Hall and ending at the Peterborough Memorial Centre.

Are you looking for an authentic Irish dinner to enjoy on St. Patrick's Day? Then look no further than Hutchison House. You can pre-order a St. Patrick's Day Take Home meal for \$30. The deadline to order is March 12<sup>th</sup> at 5pm and pick up is on March 17<sup>th</sup> between 12pm – 2pm. For more information call 705-743-9710 or email [info@hutchisonhouse.ca](mailto:info@hutchisonhouse.ca)

# MARCH

## Diana's Kind Quote of the Month



Happiness is  
letting go of what  
you think your life is  
supposed to look like  
and celebrating it  
for everything  
that it is.

## Beef 'n' Biscuit Bake

### Ingredients:

1 pound ground beef  
¼ cup 2% milk  
1 cup cubed Velveeta  
½ teaspoon chili powder  
¼ teaspoon salt

1 can (16 ounces) kidney beans, rinsed and drained  
1 can (15 ¼ ounces) whole kernel corn, drained  
1 can (10 ¾ ounces) condensed tomato soup, undiluted  
2 to 3 tablespoons butter, melted  
1 tube (12 ounces) refrigerated biscuits

### Directions:

1. Preheat oven to 375F. In a saucepan over medium heat, cook beef, breaking into crumbles, until no longer pink; drain. Add beans, corn, soup, milk, onion, chili powder and salt; bring to a boil. Remove from heat; stir in cheese until melted. Spoon into a greased 2 ½ quart baking dish. Bake, uncovered, 10 minutes.
2. Meanwhile, brush all sides of biscuits with butter; roll in cornmeal. Place on top of bubbling meat mixture. Return to oven 10 – 12 minutes or until biscuits are lightly browned and cooked through.

